of regional offices, requirements of infrastructural facilities, operational framework, etc.

(b) and (c) The Commission had assigned a study to the Administrative Staff College of India (A.S.C.I.) to review the organisational structure of the Commission. It, inter-alia, recommended that (i) UGC should have four or more regional offices and (ii) the regional office should be entrusted with the responsibility of disbursement of grants to universities and colleges within certain limits but, the sanction of Schemes and Proposals should be made at the Central Office.

Non-government Voluntary Organisations in Orissa

4105. SHRI BASANT KUMAR DAS: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) what is the number of Non-Government Voluntary Organisations which are registered to operate in Orissa;

(b) how many out of them are operating in Kalahandi district ;

(c) whether any Government funds are allotted to these Non-government Voluntary Organisations, if so, through which agency of the Government of India;

(d) whether any such Non-government Voluntary Organisations receiving foreign aids directly or indirectly; and

(e) whether any monitoring is done of the expenditure they incur and the activities they undertake for progress and development?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION AND DEPARTMENT OF CULTURE) (KUMARI SELJA): (a) and (b) Information regarding the total number of Non-Government Voluntary Organisations registered is not maintained centrally. However, 559 Associations are registered under the Foreign Contribution (Regulation) Act, 1976 in Orissa, out of which 21 Associations are registered in Kalahandi District.

(c) Various Ministries/Departments give financial assistance to Non-Government Voluntary Organisations for implementing various schemes. The details of the finan various schems. The details of the financial assistance over Rs. 1 lakh given to various Voluntary Organisations, including those operating in Orissa, by this Ministry are available in the Annual Report of the four Departments of this Ministry circulated to the Members of Parliament during the budget session and also placed in the Parliament Library.

(d) Associations receiving foreign contribution are reporting receipt of said contribution to the Government under the provisions of the FCRA, 1976. During 1991-92, 9 Voluntary Organisations have intimated receipt of foreign contributions.

(e) The Voluntary Organisations are required to submit Utilisation Certificate specifying that the grants have been utilised for the purpose for which they were granted and audited statement of accounts.

Preservation of Konark Temples

4106. SHRI BASANT KUMAR DAS: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government are aware of the dilapidated condition of the Konark Temple which is one of the high density tourist attraction besides being most important archaeological monument; and

(b) what steps Government are contemplating to restore its originality and the prevention of the environment which is presently threatened due to the decision taken by Government of Orissa to industrialise its surroundings ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION AND DEPARTMENT OF CULTURE) (KUMARI SELJA): (a) and (b) The Sun Temple, Konark is a centrally protected monument and is also included in the World Heritage list of UNESCO. It is being maintained as per the accepted archaeological norms of conservation.

The Government of ORISSA has been requested by ASI to prevent environmental damage around the monument by keeping the protected/prohibited area free from construction.

Per Capita Expenditure on Child Education in Punjab

4107. SHRI IQBAL SINGH: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) what is the per capita expenditure on child education in the country particularly in Punjab State; and

(b) what steps Government have taken to give free education to children up to the age of 14 years in the country keeping in view the provisions of the Indian Constitution?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION AND DEPARTMENT OF CULTURE) (KUMARI SELJA): (a) The per capita expenditure on child education